



DRUG HAUL

49 narcotic cases, over 170 kg ganja seized in September; 2 delivery executives among 67 arrested

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GRASS IS GREEN

Declaration of Hesaraghatta grasslands as conservation reserve will help protect biodiversity, not affect locals, say activists

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With spotlight being on workplace stress, recent report focuses on garment workers: Minimum wage in sector Rs 10,330; of surveyed women, 61% experienced physical abuse; 39% faced sexual harassment

DAUGHTERS OF THE TOIL

Cividep India report reveals 82% respondents did overtime, but just 58% got double wages

Load of rubbish

Believe it or not: Rs 282 crore being invested for waste management



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In a bid to tackle the persistent waste management issues plaguing the capital, the Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Company is set to establish 'Integrated Solid Waste Management Units' across four locations, each spanning 100 acres. The initiative involves an investment of ₹282 crore for the construction of landfill units and the enhancement of adjacent areas. However, concerns have been raised about the expenditure towards establishing these landfill units as citizens and experts say the civic agency must focus on waste segregation and appropriate disposal methods as the current approach violates environmental regulations by opting to bury waste underground.

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WASTE IN A CAPSULE

The units will be developed on 141 acres— 88 acres of private and 53 acres of government land—near Doddaballapur, while 223 acres have been earmarked in Gollahalli adjacent to NICE Road. Each unit will occupy 100 acres and efforts are on identify the locations in east and west. The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) estimates that between 12,000 to 13,000 tonnes of waste will be generated daily over the next 20-25 years. To address this, the company plans to

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A recent report by Cividep India has shed light on the dire working conditions faced by women labourers in Karnataka's readymade garment factories. The report, authored by Supriya Roy Chowdhury, a visiting professor at National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), surveyed 184 women garment workers in Bengaluru and Mysuru. It has revealed that the minimum wage in the sector is Rs 10,330, which is lower than what is paid to skilled and unskilled workers in other sectors. Despite 82% of the women working overtime, only 58% received double wages for their extra hours. A majority of respondents expressed a desire for better wages, while around 25% demanded improved working conditions.

Pervasive abuse

The study also uncovered the pervasive nature of abuse in the sector, with all respondents reporting

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“The positions of power in the factory such as supervisors and managers are provided to men while those who are made to work under them are always women

— Pratibha R, President, Garment and Textile Workers' Union (GATWU)

4 THINGS TO DO

01 Timeless story

Watch Mricchakatika (the Mud Cart), originally a Sanskrit drama attributed to 'King Shudraka' who is believed to have lived between the 3rd Century BC and 5th Century AD, as part of the Ranga Shankara Theatre Festival 2024. The play holds a timeless quality and is being adopted and enacted till date around the world. 'The Game of Gold and Clay' is a title metaphor that echoes the many voices in the play. **Where:** Ranga Shankara; **When:** October 10, 7:30 pm



02 Durga puja celebrations



Experience the fusion of Bengali and Kannada cultures through music, art, games, shopping and spirituality at the Sarjapur Outer Ring Road Bengali Association's (SORRBA) Durga Puja celebrations. Known for bringing a slice of Bengal to the heart of Karnataka, SORRBA's Durga Puja has grown to become one of the most vibrant and inclusive festivals in the city. **Where:** Samskruti Pavilion, Sarjapur Road; **When:** October 9 to 12

03 Jazzy nights

Join in for a captivating jazz experience this weekend with MoonMot, a contemporary European jazz quintet renowned for their unique fusion of acoustic and electronic sounds. This eclectic group blends composition and improvisation with a mix of genres, exploring varied time signatures and creating a fresh, vibrant approach to jazz while still paying homage to its rich traditions. As part of their 2024 India tour, MoonMot will showcase their new album "Frugal," offering audiences a dynamic jazz performance that intertwines acoustic and electronic elements in an imaginative, boundary-pushing style. **Where:** Windmills; **When:** October 11 & 12, 9:30 pm onwards



04 Read on

Join the October meetup of the Urban Solace book lovers' for the book review of "In Xanadu—A Quest" by William Dalrymple. In Xanadu traces the path taken by Marco Polo from the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem to the site of Shangdu, famed as Xanadu in English literature, in Inner Mongolia, China. The book begins with Dalrymple taking a vial of holy oil from the burning lamps of the Holy Sepulchre, which he is to transport to Shangdu. **Where:** Urban Solace; **When:** October 13, 11:30 am to 1 pm



Styling tips for this festive season

The festive season is upon us, and with it comes the excitement of dressing up for celebrations. To help you navigate this time stress-free, here are some quick styling tips to elevate your festive looks.

Stick to chic colours

If you're unsure of what to wear, opt for elegant colours like gold, rose gold, metallic shades, or beige. These hues are classic and will make you look chic and stylish without much effort.

Keep a hair tie handy

Always carry a hair tie with you for last-minute adjustments. If a dress or blouse feels loose, simply tie it from underneath with a hair tie. This quick fix not only provides a fitted look but can also create a stylish pattern on the outside.

Balance your jewellery

When accessorising, aim for balance. If you're wearing a chunky necklace, opt for stud earrings; if you choose longer earrings, consider a lightweight necklace or no necklace at all. Make one piece your statement jewellery to avoid a chaotic look. This is sure to work wonders.

Prioritise comfort

Comfort is key when dressing for festivities. If you choose a sequined attire that irritates your skin, consider applying anti-chafe gel or beeswax on the affected areas.

For long-term comfort, replace sequins in those areas with softer fabrics.

Mix fabrics and patterns

Experiment with pairing different fabrics and patterns to create a stylish ensemble. This approach can add depth and interest to your outfit, setting you apart from the crowd.

Reuse your jewellery

Get creative with your jewellery! Transform earrings into maang tikka or wear bangles or kadas in your hair bun. This is not only economical but also uplifts your overall look. These hacks look absolutely gorgeous!



Integrate outfit elements into hair

Incorporate elements of your outfit into your hairstyle. If your outfit features cowrie shells, use them in your hair when styling a bun or braid. This small detail can tie your look together beautifully, making you look coordinated.

Experiment with draping

Try draping your sari in unconventional ways to create an eye-catching look. Different draping styles can refresh your traditional attire and add a modern flair. Let's make this festive season a fashionably unforgettable one. What will be your show-stopping look this festive season?

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Namma metro unveils plans for multimodal connectivity

BMRC's Phase 3 will enhance last-mile connectivity with dedicated bus parking at 11 stations, while new parking policy is open for public feedback

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A major shortfall at many Metro stations is the lack of designated parking for feeder buses, which hampers seamless connectivity for commuters. Addressing this issue, 11 stations in Phase 3 of the Namma Metro project are set to introduce multimodal connectivity systems. These new facilities aim to enhance the commuter experience by providing easy last-mile connectivity and smoother transitions between different modes of transport, significantly improving the convenience of travel.

Phase 3 will include two corridors: one connecting JP Nagar 4th Phase to Kempapura (32 km) and another connecting Hosahalli to Kadabagere (13 km), with 22 and 9 stations respectively. Out of these, 11 stations will offer multimodal connectivity, meaning there will be dedicated spaces for feeder buses to stop, making it easier for passengers to reach their final destinations. Additionally, connections to railway stations and future suburban rail networks will also be provided, according to BMRC (Bengaluru Metro Rail Corporation Limited) officials. An official said, "To further enhance commuter convenience at busy junctions and roads, BMRC has planned to construct 8-foot overbridges (FOBs). These will allow passengers to safely cross roads near major stations such as JP Nagar Junction, Kamakhyia Junction, Mysore Road Station, Sumanahalli

Junction, Peenya Station, BEL Circle Station, Hebbal Railway Station, and Hosahalli Station."

Bengaluru Metro seeks public feedback on parking policy

In light of the increasing demand for parking spaces, particularly near stations, the BMRC has drafted a parking policy aimed at providing a permanent solution to these issues and is inviting public feedback on the proposal. An official said that Bengaluru Metro is responding to the growing number of passengers, currently serving approximately 800,000 daily, by addressing the challenges commuters face with parking at metro stations. As vehicles often block roads, causing inconvenience for the public, BMRC is seeking to prioritise vehicle parking facilities to encourage more people to utilise public transportation.

To gather public input, BMRC has opened a window for feedback on the parking policy draft, inviting citizens to share their suggestions via email at rmygowda@bmrc.co.in by October 18. The policy proposes allocating reserved parking for specific user groups and implementing parking fees and oversight to effectively manage parking spaces through technological advancements.

The draft also stresses on establishing large-scale parking facilities at metro terminals to alleviate congestion in the city centre by accommodating vehicles from suburban areas. It prioritises parking enhancements at interchange stations, particularly those near train,



The draft emphasises large-scale parking at metro terminals to ease congestion and enhance facilities at interchange stations

bus, and airport terminals, by providing multi-level parking solutions. Furthermore, the policy suggests exploring partnerships with private organisations if parking space is insufficient, including utilising existing parking facilities at nearby shopping malls, office buildings, and hotels. "To ensure the safety and security of parked vehicles, the draft outlines measures such as employing security personnel around the clock and installing CCTV systems to monitor parking areas. Adequate shade for vehicles will be provided to protect them, and sufficient lighting will be maintained in parking areas to deter illegal activities at night. The policy also includes provisions for monitoring the conduct of parking contractors through CCTV surveil-

“Metro is responding to the growing number of passengers by addressing the challenges commuters face

— Official

lance, allowing for immediate action against any violations. Transparency is emphasised, with a pricing chart to be displayed at parking lot entrances, ensuring that contractors cannot impose additional fees. Oversight will be conducted for vehicles parked beyond operating hours, with necessary actions taken for vehicles left for more than three days, including notifying owners to remove their vehicles from the parking facility," said the draft report.

Small steps, big change: 'Wash the Dabba' for greener Bengaluru

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Saamuhika Shakti has initiated the "Wash the Dabba" campaign, which has gained momentum throughout the city, attracting support from environmentalists and sustainability experts. The campaign encourages people to clean their food containers before throwing them away. Many individuals who order food online or take-away from restaurants receive plastic containers. Although these containers are recyclable, issues arise when they are not rinsed before disposal, causing difficulties for waste pickers.

In 2020, Saamuhika Shakti was established as a collective impact initiative, bringing together vari-

ous implementing organisations to empower informal waste pickers in Bengaluru, enabling them to lead secure and dignified lives.

Bengaluru's informal waste pickers often have to sift through discarded food containers filled with leftover food, sometimes infested with maggots or emitting unpleasant gases. Since many waste pickers lack protective gloves and masks, they are exposed to unsanitary and hazardous conditions. By ensuring containers are cleaned before being thrown away, waste pickers can more easily segregate the waste without enduring these challenges. The "Wash the Dabba" campaign delivers a simple message to Bengalureans, encouraging them to take this small action that can significantly contribute to a healthier

circular economy.

Vani Murthy, an environmentalist and composting enthusiast, who is associated with "Wash The Dabba" campaign said, "Waste pickers depend on discarded waste for their livelihoods. Rinsing plastic food containers would make their already difficult job a bit more pleasant. It's a matter of giving dignity to their profession and recognizing the invaluable contributions they make to Bengaluru and its environment."

Mary, who works as a sorter at one of the Dry Waste Collection Centres in Bengaluru, said, "People order food from restaurants and leave leftover food or curry in the boxes. They think that these boxes are part of the dry waste. But these cause a lot of problems for us. I urge you to dispose of only clean boxes in



the dry waste bins. Otherwise, these boxes cannot be recycled and pose serious health risks for people like us, often leaving us unwell."

Nalini Shekhar, the co-founder of Hasiru Dala, which is part of the Saamuhika Shakti collective, said, "The dabbas that go unopened for 2-3 days, with leftover food rotting and emitting a foul odour, create terrible conditions for our waste pickers. Emptying and cleaning order-in or takeaway boxes increases the recyclability of these containers."

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Neglected spots

Doopanahalli



Black spots near Doopanahalli Park on Double Road remain neglected by authorities.

Road crumble

Aswath Nagar



Roads in Aswath Nagar and Sanjay Nagar are quickly deteriorating from recent rainfall, resulting in poor quality.

Gag orders: High Court upholds advocates' freedom of speech

The High Court has ruled that the Bar Council of India (BCI) does not have the authority to issue gag orders that restrict the speech of advocates or members of the Bar Council. A single judge bench of Justice M Nagaprasanna stated, "The Chairman of the BCI ostensibly cannot pass any such gag order that takes away the fundamental right of any advocate. The power of the Courts either competent civil court or the constitutional Court, cannot be permitted to be usurped by the Chairman of the BCI, as

is done in the case at hand."

The court's decision came in response to a petition filed by Senior Advocate S Basavaraj, who challenged a communication issued by the BCI on April 12, 2024. Basavaraj had previously filed a case against the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Karnataka State Bar Council, accusing them of misappropriating official funds. The BCI, upon being notified of the matter, directed the Secretary of the State Bar Council to provide all relevant documents, receipts, and financial records related to

the expenditure within 15 days and authorised an audit by a qualified Chartered Accountant. Pending the outcome of the inquiry, the BCI Chairman issued a gag order on all members of the State Bar Council and any advocate, prohibiting them from making further public statements or disseminating information about the incident.

The bench also observed that the direction in the communication was not targeted at any specific individual but rather at the entire community of advocates.

—BMB

September high: 49 narcotic cases, over 170 kg ganja seized

Two delivery executives among 67 individuals arrested as part of larger city-wide drug crackdown

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In September alone, the city police registered 49 cases under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act and arrested a total of 67 individuals, including three foreign nationals. The collective seizure of drugs last month was substantial, totalling 170.689 kg of ganja, 1.985 kg of opium, 13 grammes of cocaine, 372 g of MDMA, 998 ecstasy tablets, and 1,089 LSD strips.

In a significant drug bust, HSR Layout Police arrested two men based on tip-offs of two men working as delivery boys on September 29, 2024, for allegedly dealing in the banned substance ganja and seized 22 kg of ganja, valued at Rs 13 lakh.

Upon detaining the duo, Dinesh (23) and Kannan (25), who were reportedly attempting to sell Ganja, police confiscated 1.92 kg of ganja. During further questioning, it emerged that the suspects hailing from Tamil Nadu's Kallakurichi district were residing in a rental house in Mangammanapalya, Bengaluru. They confessed to sourcing ganja from Tamil Nadu at low prices and selling it to known contacts in the city. Upon searching the suspects' residence, the cops found an additional 20.5 kg of ganja, as well as two mobile phones used for coordinating



Police seize 22 kg of ganja, valued at Rs 13 lakh

their sales. The accused are taken back to TN to track down their supplier, and the investigation is ongoing.

Man arrested for laptop, vehicle thefts

The HSR Layout Police have arrested Akmal (33), a food delivery worker originally from Assam, who has been residing in Bengaluru for the past 10 years. He has been linked to multiple thefts of two-wheelers and laptops across the city. The arrest has led to the recovery of five stolen two-wheelers, four laptops, and one tablet, with a total estimated value of Rs 12 lakh.

An investigation was launched based on a two-wheeler theft complaint filed on September 17. The officers apprehended Akmal on October 2 near Mangammanapalya and seized a two-wheeler, three laptops, and a tablet in his possession.

Upon further investigation, police recovered four additional stolen two-wheelers from a vacant lot near Agara Lake. The HSR Layout Police have confirmed that these seizures have resolved a total of five two-wheeler and two laptop theft cases.

Jeweller nabbed for defrauding customers of gold worth Rs 38 lakh

The Halasuru Police have apprehended Ankur Kumar (32) a gold shop owner from Rajasthan, who allegedly absconded with gold ornaments he had collected for polishing and repair services. The accused, residing in Bengaluru for the past 20 years, ran his gold shop in the Nagarathpete area. He reportedly defrauded customers of a substantial amount of gold jewellery and cash, with a total value of 38 lakh.

According to a complaint filed by Amith on August 19, Kumar would take gold jewellery from customers, promising to polish the ornaments, set crystals, and carry out other repairs, and between May 30 and August 18, he received over 1.27 kg of gold from various individuals. The police tracked the accused, and during questioning, he confessed to melting the jewellery into gold bars, which he then sold to various jewellery shops across Bengaluru.

The police seized 384 g of gold and Rs 10,99,770 in cash from different jewellery shops where the accused had transacted. Further investigation is ongoing.

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Cops bust major electronic theft racket in city

The city police have dismantled a widespread electronic theft racket, recovering 51 laptops, 25 mobile phones, and four two-wheelers valued at Rs 35 lakh. The arrests of two separate groups of thieves targeting parked vehicles and residential properties across the city were made following a coordinated effort by Jayanagar and Kumaraswamy Layout police stations.

An investigation began based on a complaint filed on August 31, where a man who had parked his car outside a coffee shop in Jayanagar's 5th Block returned to find the car window shattered and his laptop stolen. The accused was arrested in Salem, Tamil Nadu, following a month-long investigation led by the Jayanagar Police leading to the recovery of 17 laptops worth Rs 12 lakh. The accused led the police to his residence in Dadagapatti, where he had hidden 17 stolen laptops.

In another major breakthrough, the Kumaraswamy Layout Police have arrested three individuals involved in a series of mobile phone, laptop, and two-wheeler thefts in the city.



An investigation was initiated after a complaint was filed on September 16. Shortly, the police apprehended two individuals near Kadirenahalli Bridge with a two-wheeler. During interrogation, the duo confessed to the theft, and two laptops and one mobile phone were recovered. They also revealed details about a third accomplice. The total recoveries included 34 laptops, 28 mobile phones, and four two-wheelers.

The police also solved 16 laptop theft cases from various parts of Bengaluru, including Kumaraswamy Layout, Mico Layout, Girinagar, Electronic City, Marathahalli, Vidyanarayana, HSR Layout, Madiwala, Whitefield, JP Nagar, and Bandepalya. Additionally, four two-wheeler theft cases and 11 mobile phone theft cases were also resolved.

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BBMP improves waste collection with capsules

City's new automated transfer system boosts solid waste management efficiency

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The BBMP(Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike) has introduced capsule-based waste management in Bengaluru's "Second Phase Solid Waste Transfer and Automated Waste Segregation Unit. Central to this system are the innovative capsule-type containers used with the 7-hook loader vehicles. These capsules serve as an efficient solution for collecting and transporting waste from different wards. The waste is directly transferred into these capsules via auto tippers, eliminating the need for manual handling and ensuring a faster, cleaner process. Once the waste is loaded into the capsules, it is compressed to reduce its volume, allowing each capsule to hold 16 to 18 tons of waste. This is a significant improvement over traditional methods, where compactors could only handle a fraction of this capacity. The advanced design of these capsules also includes a leachate collection system, which separates liquid waste and prevents any spillage or leakage, ensuring a more hygienic operation. Once filled and compressed, the capsules are transported by GPS-enabled hook loader vehicles to processing facilities, where the waste is further treated. This capsule system not only increases the efficiency of waste collection but also reduces the need for multiple compactor vehicles, streamlining the entire waste management process across the city.

The unit operates from 6 am to 4 pm, during which time it processes solid waste from the BTM Layout division, Shanthinagar division, and the K-100 valley. Approximately 150



After being loaded into the capsules, the waste is compressed, enabling each to hold 16 to 18 tons

“By segregating the waste, it becomes possible to recycle and repurpose the waste, turning it into a valuable resource. The unit benefits informal waste collectors”—Official

to 160 metric tons of waste is processed daily, with wet and mixed waste being handled separately. The wet waste is sent to the Chikkanagamangala waste processing unit for further treatment. To manage unauthorised dumping, the automated waste segregation unit plays a key role in segregating mixed waste collected from public areas and transferring it to the appropriate processing stations. This

approach aims to reduce the volume of mixed waste in the future.

An official added, “The construction of the “Second Phase Solid Waste Transfer Station” costs around 12 crore, excluding GST, while the automated waste segregation unit was established at a cost of 5.70 crore, also excluding GST. These figures are based on 2019-20 rates. M/s Parishuddha Ventures has been entrusted with the establishment and operation of these units. Since the unit became operational in April 2024, it has processed 20,757.52 tons of solid waste.”

BBMP officials claimed that the unit's advanced features include comprehensive CCTV coverage, which records all auto tippers bringing waste to the facility. Details such as route numbers, registration plates, and waste weight are meticulously documented.

“The automated waste segregation unit can process around 40 tons

of waste daily. This system not only enhances segregation efficiency but also provides valuable data on the amount of waste segregated in each ward, enabling better planning and management. By segregating the waste, it becomes possible to recycle and repurpose the waste, turning it into a valuable resource. The unit benefits informal waste collectors by centralising dry waste, making it easier for them to access recyclable materials. The success of the Ejjipura unit has set a strong foundation for expanding this model across the city. A similar unit in Chamarajpet's Binnypet area is ready for inauguration, and plans are underway to establish units in Sarvagna Nagar and four other areas. Government approval is being sought for these projects. The long-term plan is to establish a ‘Second Phase Solid Waste Transfer and Automated Waste Segregation Unit’ in every constituency,” added an official.

Is there no better idea than taking landfill route?

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construct facilities for bio-CNG production, electricity generation, dry waste management, household sanitation waste processing, and animal waste treatment at a centralized location. Consequently, 89 packages previously finalised for waste collection and disposal have been canceled.

Tenders have been called for establishment of three landfill units designated for mixed waste disposal. Locations near Mitaganahalli, Kannuru, and Baiyappanahalli have been selected for the operations.

Substantial Investments

Between 2016-17 and 2023-24, a staggering ₹1,791 crore is being allocated for waste processing units, landfill facilities, and the surrounding infrastructure. Each year, ₹225 crore are earmarked for the develop-

ment of villages surrounding these units. However, the lack of noticeable improvements in these villages raises critical questions. An activist said, “Despite claims of infrastructure advancements, including roads, drinking water facilities, schools, and hospitals, skepticism persists over the repeated funding for similar projects. Waste processing units have a daily capacity to handle 1,620 metric tons of raw waste, yet only 800-1,000 tonnes are processed daily, directing the surplus to landfill sites. Allegations of fund misappropriation have also emerged, citing insufficient development in surrounding villages. Local legislators have voiced concerns regarding the lack of funding for development and its impact on waste disposal operations.”

Financial commitment

An official said the BSWML is currently investing ₹59.56 crore for the

development of villages around the Seeghalli, Kannahalli, Doddabidarakallu, Subbarayanapalya and Lingadeeranahalli. An additional ₹71.47 crore is allocated for establishing landfill units in Mitaganahalli and Kannuru, alongside development in adjacent areas. Access road development connecting the Mitaganahalli and Kannuru units has a budget of ₹39.71 crore, while ₹19.85 crore is set aside for infrastructure improvements in surrounding villages. Tenders for these projects are currently being sought.

Crisis persists

Despite the yearly expenditure of around ₹1,000 crore to resolve the capital's waste challenges, the Solid Waste Management Company is yet to find an effective solution. The city generates approximately 6,000 tons of waste daily, with a cost of ₹3,699

for the collection, disposal, and processing of each tonne.

A breakdown of waste collection and associated costs from 2016-17 to 2023-24 reveals significant financial commitments across various regions. In Seeghalli, Doddabidarakallu, Kannahalli, Lingadeeranahalli, and Subbarayanapalya, the daily waste collection totals 600 tonnes, costing ₹565 crore. The KSIDC area reports a daily collection of 200 tonnes at a cost of ₹115 crore, while Chikkanagamangala contributes 300 tonnes with an expenditure of ₹88 crore. In contrast, areas such as Bellahalli, Bagalur, Baiyappanahalli, Mitaganahalli, Kannuru, and Mandur collectively manage a staggering daily waste collection of 3,200 tonnes, incurring costs of ₹720 crore. The MGIP area also plays a role, collecting 500 tonnes at a cost of ₹68 crore.

Barely 5-10% of women labourers unionised: Report

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verbal abuse from managers, 61% experiencing physical abuse, and 39% facing sexual harassment. Another alarming finding was the restrictions placed on toilet time, with 68% of women either being restricted from using the toilet as needed or limited in the duration of their visits.

The report highlighted that only 5-10% of the women labourers are unionised, and weak regulation of global supply chains in garment production and exports has contributed to the poor working conditions of the female workforce.

“Since a majority of the workforce comprises women, many being single mothers heading their family, there are varying hurdles that need to be overcome for them to unionise. A systematic false narrative of unions being a threat to healthy functioning of factories has been created. This in turn builds a sense of anxiety among the vulnerable workers with job insecurity, leading them to refrain from unionising,” explained Pratibha R, President, Garment and Textile Workers’ Union (GATWU).

She noted that the garment industry is known for abrupt shutdowns of factories, further strengthening the fear of job loss among the workers. “For example, during the Covid pandemic, the reason for many factories inevitably shutting down was portrayed to be due to unions, creating a negative image. The threat of losing their job always foreshadows the workers, surpassing their urge to stand in unity,” she added.

On the other hand, Pratibha noted that the workers in Bengaluru frequently shift from one factory to another. “Since the workers are paid only the bare minimum required to survive, many switch their jobs after a span of over 3-4 years, and claim their benefits such as gratuity and provident fund when required. A culture of hire and fire is also very much prevalent. This also becomes a burden for unions in terms of keeping track of the workers,” she said.

Pratibha also pointed to the correlation between patriarchy and the garment industry. “The positions of power in the factory such as supervisors and managers are provided to men while those who are made to work under them are always women. Just how patriarchy functions in larger society, its characteristics are mirrored within the context of a garment factory.” She further noted that mechanisms put in place to ensure redressal for the women workers are only present on paper. “While Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) is formed as per the the Protection of Women from Sexual Harassment (POSH) Act, they do not function effectively,” she said.

The study further revealed the extreme physical and mental exhaustion experienced by women workers who are forced to take on household work in addition to their factory jobs. On average, a woman labourer works for about 16 hours a day.

The report also found that children of most workers drop out of school, with 60% of these children working in services, 17% in construction, and 10% in agriculture, earning between Rs 10,000 to 15,000. The study emphasises the connection between paid factory work and unpaid household labour, and how it perpetuates the marginalisation of women and their families across generations.



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Rising demand for MBA courses among Bengalureans

Bengaluru has emerged as a prominent hub for education and entrepreneurship. The city's dynamic economy has fueled an increasing demand for Master of Business Administration (MBA) courses.

This trend reflects the evolving job landscape and the need for advanced managerial skills to navigate complex business environments. One of the primary drivers of this growing demand is the proliferation of technology companies and startups in Bengaluru.

As the city hosts numerous multinational corporations and innovative startups, the need for skilled professionals who can lead teams, manage projects, and drive business growth has become paramount. An MBA equips graduates with critical skills such as strategic thinking, leadership, and financial acumen, making them attractive candidates for managerial roles.

"Moreover, the covid-19 pandemic has accelerated changes in business operations, leading to an increased emphasis on digital transformation. Companies are now seeking professionals who can adapt to changing circumstances and leverage technology for operational effi-



ciency. MBA programs that offer specializations in data analytics, digital marketing, and e-commerce are particularly appealing to Bengalureans aiming to stay relevant in the evolving job market. As a result, local educational institutions have seen a surge in enrollment for MBA courses that cater to these emerging trends. MBA programs that include global business strategies, cross-cultural management, and international finance are becoming increasingly popular,"

said an official.

The rise of entrepreneurship in Bengaluru has further spurred interest in MBA courses. Many individuals are aspiring to start their ventures, and an MBA provides them with the necessary knowledge and skills to navigate the challenges of entrepreneurship. Courses that focus on entrepreneurship, innovation management, and venture capital are highly sought after by those looking to establish successful startups.

"Additionally, the networking opportunities associated with MBA programs play a significant role in attracting students. Institutions in Bengaluru

often host industry leaders, successful entrepreneurs, and seasoned professionals who share their insights and experiences," added an official.



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Ring of protection around Hesaraghatta grassland

What it means now that Bengaluru's last grassland has been declared conservation reserve

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Bengaluru's Hesaraghatta grassland is now a conservation reserve. The decision was taken by the Karnataka State Board of Wildlife (SBWL) on Monday. The idea is to protect the 5,000-acre patch from pressures from human activities, such as vehicular movement, sand mining, hunting, plantations.

As per the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, while the rules to be followed by the public and locals will be formulated soon by a conservation reserve management committee, experts say the declaration does not imply eviction of locals or adverse impact on their livelihoods.

"The purpose of declaring the grassland as a conservation reserve is to minimise human interference and conserve the rich biodiversity. Locals who are dependent on it for their live-



lihood – directly or indirectly – will not be impacted. For instance, the committee may set aside a portion of land for grazing and firewood collection. This can be done with a basic watch and ward system by the forest department," said Akshay Heblikar, founder of Eco Watch and a member of Bengaluru's Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC).

As per the Karnataka Forest Department, there are 14 conservation reserves in Karnataka with different rules and regulations. Experts say

the CR management committee might want to regulate vehicular traffic keeping in mind many bird species that nest on the ground. Pro-conservation activities such as research and educational tours may be promoted that would generate employment opportunities, they say.

Why Hesaraghatta?

Conservationists say the grassland has been facing severe pressures from human activities. Hesaraghatta Lake has undergone tremendous change

over the last three decades. The grassland area also witnessed intense tree planting activities. Unrestricted human and vehicular activities have been impacting biodiversity.

According to a biodiversity report, the 5,000 acres of green patch houses 39 native plant species, 12 tree species, 10 species of mammals, seven types of reptiles, 264 bird species, 13 species of amphibians, three spider species, 101 types of butterflies, 395 different types of insects,

Experts also point to changes in land use patterns around the grassland and underline that the Hesaraghatta lakebed area is critical to the water security of the city. It is an important watershed and protection of this area will also help the rejuvenation of the Arkavathy River basin.

Since 2010, citizens, environmentalists, and scientists have been trying to persuade the government to set up a Conservation Reserve in the area.

"The Board's decision to declare Hesaraghatta as a conservation reserve will play a vital role in providing a cleaner environment to Bengaluru, apart from water availability. It is the only remaining grassland region in Bengaluru and is home to several endangered species of wildlife," said Vijay Nishant, a member of BMC and founder of Project Vruksha.

Reserved

A conservation reserve is an area owned by the state government and is generally found adjacent to National Parks and sanctuaries and those areas that link one protected area with another. Since the land is state property, the state government may, after consulting local communities, declare any area as CR under section 36A of the Wild Life (Protection) Act.

Then it constitutes a conservation reserve management committee to advise the Chief Wildlife Warden to conserve, manage, and maintain the reserve. The committee consists of a representative of the state forest department (Wildlife wing), who serves as the member secretary of the committee, one representative of each Village Panchayat in whose jurisdiction the reserve is located, three representatives of NGOs working in the field of conservation and one representative each from the Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry.

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Song release



The team of the much-awaited movie *Sanju Weds Geeta-2* released a song featuring Thuppa Hudugi Ragini Dwivedi at Dr BR Ambedkar Bhavan on Sunday. Jnana Prakash Swamiji of Chalavadi Mahasabha released the song. Chalavadi Mahasabha president Chalavadi Narayanaswamy was the guest of honour.

"Chalavadi Kumar debuts as a producer in Sandalwood with *Sanju Weds Geeta-2*. Nagashekar has helmed this movie. Movies must address the inequality in society. I wish the cast and crew all the best," said Narayanaswamy.

The movie revolves around a cocoon farmer and Srinagar Kitty plays the lead while Rachita Ram is paired opposite him. "The movie is made in a different style. I am happy to have Chalavadi Narayanaswamy as a guest of honour. The movie has come out well and it is aimed at family audiences," said producer Chalavadi Kumar.

Nagashekar said the movie was shot for 72 days at beautiful locations including Sidlaghatta and Switzerland. "I am happy to have the song released by prominent personalities. As of now, re-recording of the movie is in progress," the director said.

Second single out



The second single of film *Aaram* Aravinda Swamy was released on Wednesday. The song – Munde Hego Yeno – is written by Pramod Maravanthe and its music is by Arjun Janya. This song was shot in Karnataka and Kerala. The movie is scheduled to arrive in theaters on November 22.

Director Abhishek Shetty told BM the movie is different. "We usually assume that our neighbours or friends or relatives are doing well but they only know whether they are doing well. Everyone has their own problems and comforts. Some real incidents inspired me to write this script," said Shetty. *Aaram* Aravinda Swamy Shetty's third film as a director after *Gajanana & Gang* and *Nam Gani B.Com Pass*. "The screenplay of the movie is unique. It is an action drama movie. The first single was released in January and it got a good response from music lovers. Arjun Janya's music adds value to the movie," he said.

In-depth insight

Sonakshi says OTT allows actors to explore characters more

Bollywood actress Sonakshi Sinha, who was recently seen in the streaming movie 'Kakuda', has said that the medium of OTT allows actors to explore their characters in depth.

Sonakshi has done 2 OTT shows so far, a rustic and rooted 'Dahaad' and a period drama 'Heeramandi: The Diamond Bazaar' in which she got to be the quintessential Sanjay Leela Bhansali heroine.

She also got feted with the Best Actress award for her stellar performance in 'Heeramandi' recently at an awards function.

The actress said, "The fact that I've won this award two years in a row, first for *Dahaad* and now for *Heeramandi*, is truly humbling. It's a testament to the kind of diverse and strong roles that the OTT space is now offering to actors. Each project gives me the chance to explore something new and push boundaries".

She also shared her experience of working on both OTT and the big screen, as she shared, "OTT is truly a

game-changer at the moment. The roles offered on OTT are more complex, layered, and challenging in ways that commercial films don't always allow".

"The big screen is more about entertaining a larger audience, while I feel that OTT offers more room to explore characters in depth, which has really resonated with viewers. I've received so much love for my work on both platforms, and I'm just grateful for it. It's exciting to be part of this digital revolution where content is truly king", she added.

The actress recently also shared her process for approaching her characters, she said, "I arrive on set, face the camera, and that's when the character comes alive for me. It's hard to explain, but having a strong imagination really helps."

— IANS



All Pacino is flying solo



Hollywood legend Al Pacino, who is known for 'Scarface', 'The Godfather', 'House of Gucci' and others, has ended his relationship with film producer Noor Alfallah.

The couple, who had a significant age gap, seemed to grow closer during the pandemic, even welcoming their son Roman into the world in June 2023, reports 'Mirror UK'.

The actor was recently quizzed about his current romantic status, and he made it clear he was flying solo, stating, "No. I have friendship", when asked if he was in a relationship.

A spokesperson for the actor further explained to the publication that the pair have transitioned from partners to friends and are jointly dedicated to raising their child, "Al and Noor are very good friends, have been for years, and are co-parents to their son Roman".

— IANS

Stage is set to ring in Ranga Shankara's 20th

Ranga Shankara celebrates its 20th anniversary this October, it reflects on a journey of nurturing and revolutionising contemporary theatre in India.

Since its inception in 2004, this venue has become a beacon of artistic excellence and innovation, providing an affordable platform for a diverse array of performances. To celebrate 20 years, it will stage 20 plays, from October 10 to November 10.

Bangalore Theatre Collective are the Executive Producers for this milestone. The festival will highlight Kannada plays alongside productions in English, Hindi, Hindustani, Marathi, Sanskrit, Tamil, Lepcha, Bengali, and Assamese.

Audiences can expect a rich blend of old and new, modern and classical, traditional and experimental works each weekend (Thursdays, Fridays,

Saturdays and Sundays).

Bangalore's theatre community will come together to host a parallel festival of platform performances in the foyer area. The festival will be curated by Dramasis, WeMove, Illuminating Windows, Bangalore Little Theatre, and Sanchaya.

There will also be seminars on Kannada theatre, urban theatre featuring Shankar Nag Award winners. A series of workshops have been tailored specifically for housewives, teachers, and senior citizens, providing opportunities for personal enrichment and expression through theatre. Facilitated by Dr. Shekhar Sheshadri, Lakshmi Karunakaran, Anish Victor and Pallavi Chander, the workshops will be conducted in English and Kannada.

And finally, there will be free music baithaks every Saturday and Sunday from 10 pm to 11 pm.



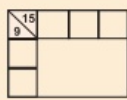
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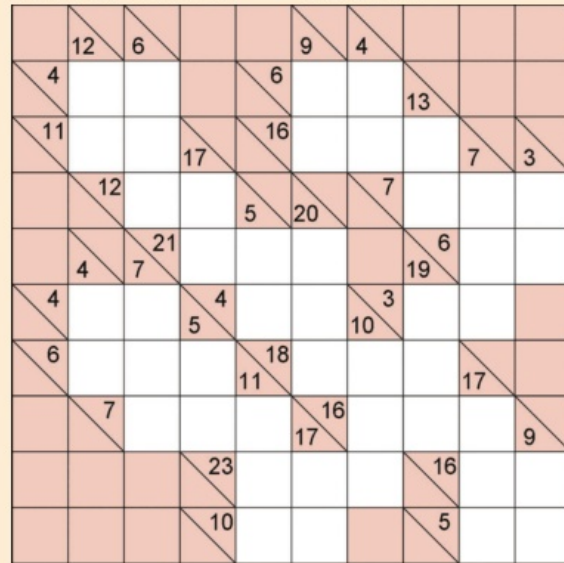
Kakuro

The numbers in the grey squares refer to the sums of the digits that you must fill into the empty spaces directly below or to the right of the grey square containing the number. For instance, in the given example, the 3 boxes horizontally next to 15 must contain 3 digits that add up to 15, whereas



for 9, it is the 2 boxes placed vertically under it that must add up to 9. No zeros are used here, only the digits 1 through 9.

Note: A digit cannot appear more than once in any particular digit combination. For instance, in the example, we cannot have the combination of 4+7+4 for 15.



Quick



ACROSS

- 7 Past pupils (6)
- 8 Slit up into flowers? (6)
- 9 Vivacity (4)
- 10 Stress (8)
- 11 Old form of paper (7)
- 13 Serious danger (5)
- 15 Go up (5)
- 17 Import/export duties (7)
- 20 Embraces; grips tightly? (8)
- 21 Troublesome thing (4)
- 23 End (6)
- 24 Unwell (6)

DOWN

- 1 Smear (4)
- 2 Incorporate, exemplify (6)
- 3 Formed a queue? (5,2)
- 4 Strides (5)
- 5 Delight (6)
- 6 Hopefulness (8)
- 12 One of the great oceans (8)
- 14 Putin's compatriot (7)
- 16 Cuisine which is a fusion of Kodava and Mangalorean (6)
- 18 Alcoholic drink of choice (6)
- 19 Fire residue (5)
- 22 Transmit (4)

Quoteuncode

This puzzle is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that Q equals C, it will equal C throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Today's CLUE: B EQUALS T
 JXX BH BMX JDHQHW, WHBM
 BH BMX TDPWX; XPLM BH MYQ
 RPQQYHI; AMPB'Q YI P IPWX?



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I am falling for your eyes, but they don't know me yet



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Joke of the day

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Loop

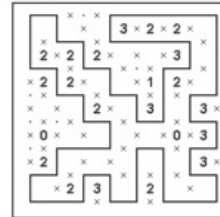
Rules

» Connect adjacent dots with vertical or horizontal lines, creating a single loop (Fig A). » Crossovers or branches are not allowed (As shown by dotted lines in Fig B). » Numbers in the puzzle indicate the number of lines that should surround it, while empty cells may be surrounded by any number of lines. » You can't draw lines around zeros. » Each puzzle has just one unique solution.

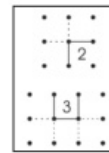
How to begin:

Example (Fig A) - Begin with the zero next to 3. Since no lines can be drawn around zero, mark crosses around it, as shown. Now there is a cross in one space around 3. So we know the three lines of 3 can only be drawn in the remaining three spaces. Next, these lines can only be extended in one direction each. Continue, using the same logic.

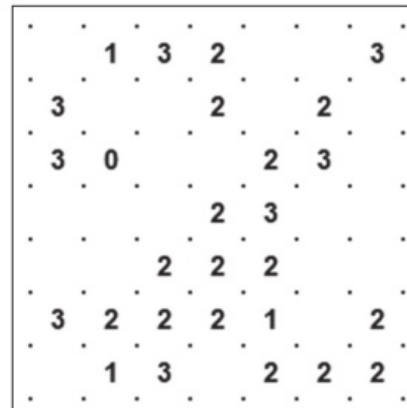
Hints: Keep eliminating possibilities by marking crosses in spaces between dots where a line isn't possible, i.e., if you have already completed required lines or where a line extension may create a branch or cause a dead-end (Fig B)



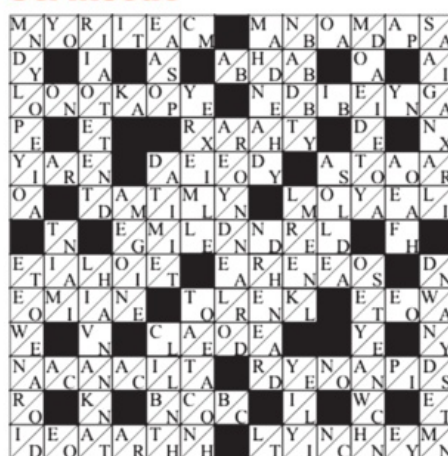
(Fig A)



(Fig B)
Not Allowed



Strikeout



This crossword has no clues and the answer is there waiting for you. All you have to do is find it in each square. You have a choice of two letters, one of which you must strike out. If you choose correctly, you will be left with a grid that contains real words.

Fast five

How long do you think it will take you to unscramble the ten words shown below and fit them correctly into the grid in the order given one letter has already been entered to get you started? on your marks, get set...



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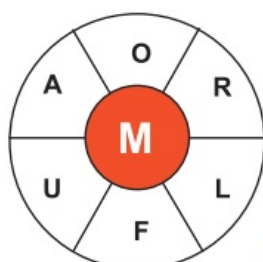
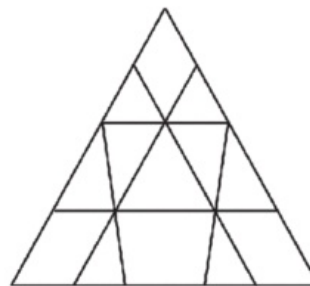
- 1 Moray; 6 Nu Awe;
- 7 Dimit; 8 Me den;
- 9 Angry

DOWN

- 1 Rut me; 2 Amain;
- 3 Meany; 4 No wig;
- 5 R dyed

Mensapuzzle

How many triangles of any size can you find in the figure below?



Bull's eye

How many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters shown? Every word must contain the central letter. There should be one seven-letter word. British English Dictionary is used as a reference.

11 Average; 13 Good; 5 Outstanding

SudokuChallenge



To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from one to nine must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Gofigure

Place the four numbers in the first, third, fifth, and seventh boxes and whatever operators you care to use in the second, fourth, and sixth boxes in the correct order to get the answer. Use the numbers only once.



Easy

$\square \square \square \square = 14$

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Hocusfocus



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Car is smaller. 2. Foot is moved. 3. Girl's hair is different. 4. Bush is missing. 5. Shorts are longer. 6. Plate is missing.

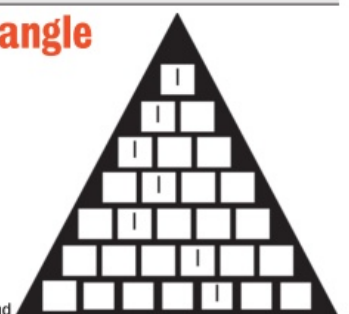
Riddler

Find the missing number 33, 46, 62, 81, ?

Alpha triangle

- 1 Pronoun
- 2 Incl. Relations
- 3 Temper
- 4 Father
- 5 Wash lightly
- 6 More inquisitive
- 7 Variant

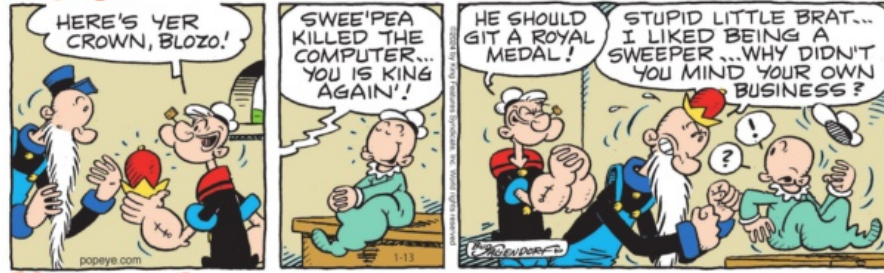
Beginning at the top move towards the bottom seven-letter word by adding a letter at each step and rearranging. A correct and different word must be



made at each step answering to the clue given.

COMICS

Popeye



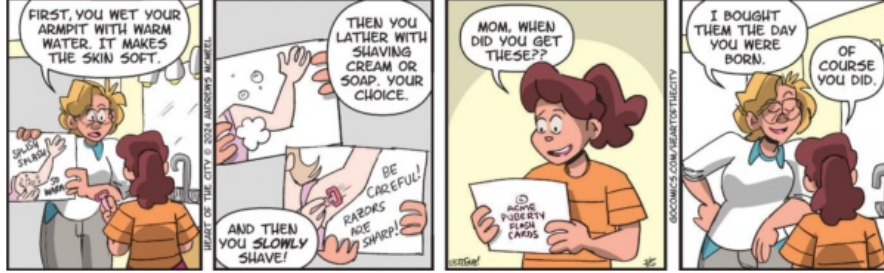
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Hart of the city



Crankshaft



Mutts



WHAT YOUR STARS SAY TODAY

Aries Mar 21 - Apr 20

Today, you may be enthusiastic. Your focus towards your goals may be very good. You may easily achieve your target. You are likely to go for short work-related trips, which may give you benefits shortly. Your subordinate staff may help you to complete the important project. Disputes with the siblings may be raised.



Leo Jul 24 - Aug 23

Today, there may be peace in the mind. Your earnings may boost your financial health. You may enjoy romantic moments with your spouse, which may enhance harmony in the family life. Singles may likely find a suitable match. You may expect to get ample opportunities at work, you may notice some progress in your life.



Sagittarius Nov 23 - Dec 22

Today you are blessed by the moon, you may be able to make quick decisions on the professional front. You may expect to get new opportunities in terms of business, which may boost your confidence level. You are likely to start some innovation with the help of your business partner, which may increase your business shortly.



Taurus Apr 21 - May 20

Today you are blessed by the moon. You will plan to invest more capital into the family business. Which may increase your family business shortly. You may expect to get some rewards on behalf of your social services. You may expect to hear some good news in your family, which may create a joyful environment in the family. You may also enjoy some delicious food.



Virgo Aug 24 - Sep 23

Today you may be able to implement your plans with the help of your strong network at work. You may likely get a big order with the help of your hard work. There may be a good understanding between you and your spouse, which may increase harmony in your domestic life. Your boss may appreciate your hard work.



Capricorn Dec 23 - Jan 20

Today, you are blessed by a positive moon. You may feel healthy, chronic health issues may be cured now. Kids' health may be ok now. The money, which was stuck somewhere, may likely be recovered now. You may also repay your debt.



Gemini May 21 - Jun 21

Today, you may feel happy, and your health is also good, which may give you inner strength and self-confidence. Your subconscious mind may not allow you to manipulate the messy task. Your social prestige may likely be increased. With the help of your good karma, destiny may help you to start some innovative task.



Libra Sep 24 - Oct 22

Today, you are blessed by the moon. The messy situation is under control. You may initiate your postponed work. With the blessing, you may get a reward for your hard work. There are some gains in your business which may boost your financial health. You may expect some unexpected opportunities, which may increase your business or work. You may also plan to travel overseas.



Aquarius Jan 21 - Feb 19

Today, you are blessed by the moon, which may give you peace of mind. You may become decisive, so may grab the opportunity without a second thought. Past karma may help you to sustain in any situation. Love birds may enjoy their happy moments. Job aspirants may likely get a suitable job with the help of friends.



Cancer Jun 22 - July 23

Today you may be unhappy and disappointed. You are advised to control your arrogance, otherwise you may face some losses due to your harsh speaking while you are talking with anyone. You are advised to avoid long trips and avoid rash driving. You should keep yourself away from bay areas or oceans.



Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 22

Today, you may not feel well. You might have health issues, which may affect your profession and domestic life. You may likely be upset due to your spouse's health issues. Your patience may be tested many times. You are advised not to make investments in new business projects, otherwise you may face losses. Students are advised to work hard in their studies.



Pisces Feb 20 - Mar 20

Today you may be dull. Detachment from responsibilities may make you upset. You may not be able to fulfil your commitments, which may affect your prestige. You may be a victim of arrogance. It may affect both your professional and domestic life. You may internally feel a lack of confidence, which may stop you from doing something creative at work.



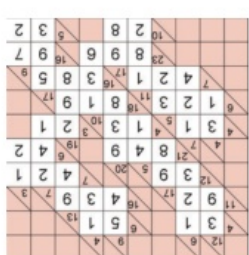
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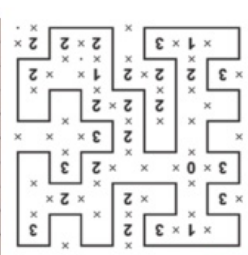
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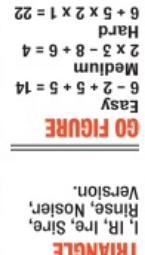
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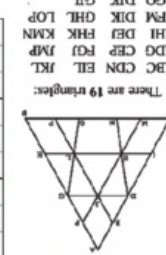
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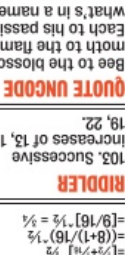
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